

AT THE WHITE HOUSE

Discussing the Agreement With the

UNUSUALLY LONG CABINET MEETING

Hawaiian Clergymen Call on the

The cabinet was engaged today in a serious discussion of a Philippine matter. The subject was considered serious enough to cause a general agreement in the cabinet room that nothing should be said by the members concerning it. The President himself made such a request.

From several sources, however, the information is to the effect that the discussion related to the treaty made with the Sultan of Sulu. The cabinet regards several publications of the alleged treaty as so "misleading" as to be harmful to the administration, and at the proper time will make a statement showing that there has been "gross misrepresentation" of the

The arrangement made. It is doubtful if the statement will receive publicity until after the November elections.

The arrangement is such that its contents cannot be made public at this time. This is owing to diplomatic reasons, and not because the administration has any cause to fear that the public would not sanction what has been done.

The "misleading" statements, it is said, are "hard" on this government has in any way recognized.

that it, paying a heavy bounty, the sultan to secure his fealty to the country. It is declared that the publication of the arrangement was made for other purposes, and there was no attempt at securing the exact facts.

On the 12th of July, I took occasion to point out the unsoundness and unfairness, and, I am afraid, of the criticisms which have been cast upon the friends of that arrangement, especially where the question of the question of slave holding in the islands.

The cabinet meeting lasted two hours and a half, and was longer than usual. After the adjournment the members were unusually reticent.

Hawaiian Clergymen Call.

A delegation of native Hawaiian preachers, who came to this country to attend the sessions of the International Congregational Council at, first, San Francisco.

missions the same church at Providence called upon the President today, to pay their respects. They were Revs. O. P. P. Emerson, James Kaahane, E. S. Timmon, S. S. Deane, and others. Dr. Emerson is the son of American parents, and is the secretary of the Hawaiian Evangelical Association. Dr. S. M. Newman, pastor of the Congregational Church at 10th and G streets, who was present, expressed his pleasure at seeing so representative a body of the citizens of a newly acquired territory.

Governor Stone's Call.

Governor Stone of Pennsylvania, accompanied by Representative Graham of Allegheny City, was at the White House today. The big, brainy and good-natured Governor of Pennsylvania comes to Washington every year for a reception from his state. His call on the President today was for the purpose of asking the appointment of J. Fenwood Brown of Allegheny as a member of the Interstate Commerce commission when there is a vacancy. Brown is a prominent railroad man and republican.

From the White House Governor Stone and Mr. Graham went to hunt up Admiral Schley. The people of Allegheny want the admiral to visit them.

Spanish cannon taken from Cervera's fleet is received and installed. He is to be invited to be present as the foremost guest of the occasion, and it is believed he will accept.

ADMIRAL DEWEY'S HOME.

He Will Probably Take Possession Next Monday.

Admiral Dewey expects to take possession of his new home, 1747 Rhode Island avenue, Monday next. The house is ready for his occupancy, and since the sale only some articles have been

put in what the admiral desired, in addition to what was already there. The house itself needs no alteration of any kind, as it perfectly meets the needs of the new owner. He finds that it is admirably adapted for use as a home and shows the careful attention to detail that was characteristic of the planning of the house by the former owner, Fitch, who carefully went over the plans prepared by the architect, Mr. W. M. Poins.

The \$1,000 contributed to the Dewey fund a few days ago by an anonymous Brooklynite, has been turned over by Mr. Vanderbilt to an agent of the fund for the purchase of rugs, tapestries, etc., for Admiral Dewey's home. This agent is regarded

close, and she left for New York this morning to make the purchases. Admiral Dewey was delighted with her selection for this delicate work.

Admiral Dewey has written a letter to Chicago regretting that he will be unable to visit that city this week. He says that the Philippine commission will meet in this city next week, and that it is his duty to remain here to continue his services as a member of the commission.

WATSWRIGHT SWORD FUND.

Several Additional Subscriptions Were Received Today.

A considerable amount in additional subscriptions to provide a testimonial for Commander Watwright was received today. The success of the movement was assured from the start by the interest universally manifested in it.

As soon as a sum sufficient has been sub-

worried arrangements will be made for the presentation ceremonies, which will be made fitting to the occasion.

A centrally located hall for the ceremonies has already been tendered, together with appropriate decorations. The Secretary of the Navy will order out the Marine Band and such sailors and marines as are available to participate, and it is contemplated that the United States Coast will take part. Of course, all these details are a matter for the future, after a sufficient sum for the testimonial has been subscribed.

One Sent to the Star.

"An Old Washingtonian" sends \$25 to the Star for the fund to purchase a sword for Commander Richard Wainwright.

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ARRIVAL AT MANILA.

The Port Albert With Mules and the Relief Reported.

The army transport ship *Albert* has arrived at Manila with 485 mules, losing only three on the trip. This is considered a very satisfactory showing by the transport department.

Surgeon General Sternberg was advised today that the army hospital ship *Minerva*